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SUBJECT: MEDIA STORIES ON POSSIBLE USG NORTHERN IRELAND  
INITIATIVE

FOLLOWING EXCHANGE TOOK PLACE AT WHITE HOUSE PRESS  
CONFERENCE JULY 29:

Q: HOW SOON WILL WE KNOW IN WHAT SHAPE OUR HELP FOR  
NORTHERN IRELAND WILL COME?

MR. GRANUM: I DON'T BELIEVE THERE IS A COMMITMENT ON OUR  
PART FOR THAT HELP. AS WE LEFT THE MATTER, THERE WAS  
A MEETING IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT AND THERE WAS TO BE IN  
THE STATE DEPARTMENT A FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THAT.  
BUT WE HAVE NOT GONE PAST THAT POINT.

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Q: THEN IS THE LONDON ECONOMIST WRONG TODAY IN SAYING WE  
ARE DRUMMING UP MAYBE A FINANCIAL PACKAGE TO TRY TO EASE  
THE --

MR. GRANUM: I WOULD STAY WITH IT IS UNDER STUDY AT STATE.

Q: THAT IS WHAT I ASKED YOU.

MR. GRANUM: I SEE.

Q: WHEN WILL WE KNOW?

MR. GRANUM: YOU SORT OF ASKED -- WELL, I WON'T QUIBBLE  
WITH YOUR QUESTION, BUT I AM NOT AWARE OF ANY TIMETABLE  
ON THAT BEING REVIEWED.

Q: STATE SAID "STUDY" IS TOO STRONG A WORD AND --

Q: HOW ABOUT "REVIEW"? (LAUGHTER)

Q: WELL, THEY WERE VERY WARY OF THE SUGGESTION -- STATE  
WAS -- THAT YOU WENT TOO STRONG THE DAY YOU CAME OUT EVEN  
WITH THAT. - - -

MR. GRANUM: WELL, I DON'T KNOW EXACTLY HOW TO RESPOND  
TO THAT. -

Q: IS IT BEING CONSIDERED IN A PACKAGE?

MR. GRANUM: I DON'T HAVE ANY FURTHER KNOWLEDGE THAN  
WHAT I HAVE STATED HERE.

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Q: DOES JERRY?

MR. GRANUM: I DON'T THINK SO. CHRISTOPHER

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